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The meeting was called to order at 10.20 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM 17: APPOINTMENTS TO FILL VACANCIES IN SUBSIDIARY ORGANS AND OTHER APPOINTMENTS

1. The CHAIRMAN drew attention to rule 92 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly concerning elections and to paragraph 16 of decision 34/401 concerning the election of members of subsidiary organs.

(a) APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS (A/50/101; A/C.5/50/6)

2. The CHAIRMAN drew the Committee's attention to rules 155 and 156 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and said that the Assembly needed to appoint six persons to fill the vacancies which would arise in the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on 31 December 1995. According to the Secretary-General's note (A/C.5/50/6), 10 persons had been nominated by their Governments. Since the number of candidates endorsed by the Group of Asian States was equal to the number of vacancies for that group, he took it that the Committee wished to elect them by acclamation. A vote would be taken by secret ballot in the case of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States and the Group of Western European and Other States.

3. It was so decided.

4. Mr. Gokhale (India), Mr. Kumamaru (Japan) and Mr. Tang Guangting (China) were elected members of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

5. The CHAIRMAN invited the Committee to elect by secret ballot one member from the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States.

6. At the invitation of the Chairman, Mr. Fattah (Egypt), Ms. Aragon (Philippines) and Mr. Goumenny (Ukraine) acted as tellers.

7. A vote was taken by secret ballot.

Number of ballot papers:	174
Number of valid ballots:	174
Abstentions:	1
Number of members voting:	173
Required majority:	87

Number of votes obtained:

Mr. Marcondes de Carvalho (Brazil)	128
Mr. Duhalt (Mexico)	45

8. Having obtained the required majority, Mr. Marcondes de Carvalho (Brazil) was elected a member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

9. The CHAIRMAN invited the Committee to elect by secret ballot one member from the Group of Western European and Other States.

10. At the invitation of the Chairman, Ms. Aragon (Philippines) and Mr. Goumenny (Ukraine) acted as tellers.

11. A vote was taken by secret ballot.

Number of ballot papers:	177
Number of invalid ballots:	2
Number of valid ballots:	175
Number of members voting:	175
Required majority:	88

Number of votes obtained:

Mr. Valenza (Italy)	88
Mr. Stöckl (Germany)	83
Mrs. Daes (Greece)	58
Mr. Thorne (United Kingdom)	56
Mr. Biraud (France)	49

12. Having obtained the required majority, Mr. Valenza (Italy) was elected a member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

13. The CHAIRMAN said that, in accordance with rule 94 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, the Committee would proceed to a second secret ballot to elect the remaining member from the Group of Western European and Other States.

14. At the invitation of the Chairman, Mr. Fattah (Egypt), Ms. Aragon (Philippines) and Mr. Goumenny (Ukraine) acted as tellers.

15. A vote was taken by secret ballot.

Number of ballot papers:	175
Number of invalid ballots:	2
Number of valid ballots:	173
Number of members voting:	173
Required majority:	87
Number of votes obtained:	
Mr. Stöckl (Germany)	107
Mrs. Daes (Greece)	66

16. Having obtained the required majority, Mr. Stöckl (Germany) was elected a member of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions.

17. Mr. Amari (Tunisia), Vice-Chairman, took the Chair.

(b) APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONTRIBUTIONS (A/50/102; A/C.5/50/7)

18. The CHAIRMAN drew the Committee's attention to rules 158 and 159 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly and said that the Assembly needed to appoint six persons to fill the vacancies which would arise in the Committee on Contributions on 31 December 1995. According to the Secretary-General's note (A/C.5/50/7), seven persons had been nominated by their Governments. Since the number of candidates endorsed by the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States and the Group of Western European and Other States, respectively, was equal to the number of vacancies for each group, he took it that the Committee wished to elect those candidates by acclamation. A vote would be taken by secret ballot in the case of one of the two vacancies to be filled by a candidate from the Group of African States, it being understood that that group wished to recommend that Mr. Sirry (Egypt) should be elected by acclamation.

19. It was so decided.

20. Mr. Bierma (Netherlands), Mr. Chaparro Ruiz (Chile), Mr. Francis (Australia), Mr. Molteni (Argentina) and Mr. Sirry (Egypt) were elected members of the Committee on Contributions.

21. The CHAIRMAN invited the Committee to elect by secret ballot the remaining member from the Group of African States.

22. At the invitation of the Chairman, Mrs. Brennen-Haylock (Bahamas) and Mr. Mihai (Romania) acted as tellers.

23. A vote was taken by secret ballot.

Number of ballots:	174
Number of valid ballots:	174
Abstentions:	1
Number of members voting:	173
Required majority:	87
Number of votes obtained:	
Mr. Ould El Ghaouth (Mauritania)	98
Mr. Mgbokwere (Nigeria)	75

24. Having obtained the required majority, Mr. Ould El Ghaouth (Mauritania) was elected a member of the Committee on Contributions.

(c) APPOINTMENT OF A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF AUDITORS (A/50/103; A/C.5/50/8)

25. The CHAIRMAN drew attention to document A/C.5/50/8, in which the Secretary-General informed the Committee that the Government of India had nominated the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India for reappointment to the Board of Auditors. Since there was only one candidate for the vacant post, he took it that the Committee wished to take a decision by acclamation.

26. It was so decided.

27. The Committee decided to recommend that the Comptroller and Auditor-General of India should be appointed to the Board of Auditors.

(d) CONFIRMATION OF THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE INVESTMENTS COMMITTEE (A/50/104; A/C.5/50/9)

28. The CHAIRMAN drew attention to document A/C.5/50/9, in which the Secretary-General submitted for confirmation by the General Assembly the reappointment of three members and the appointment of one member of the Investments Committee. He took it that the Committee wished to take a decision by acclamation.

29. It was so decided.

30. The Committee decided to recommend the reappointment of Mr. Oltramare (Switzerland), Mr. Omaboe (Ghana) and Mr. Reimnitz (Germany) and the appointment of Mr. Ohta (Japan) to the Investments Committee.

(e) APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL (A/50/105; A/C.5/50/10)

31. The CHAIRMAN drew attention to document A/C.5/50/10, in which the Secretary-General communicated to the General Assembly the names of two persons

nominated by their Governments for appointment or reappointment to the United Nations Administrative Tribunal. Since the number of candidates was equal to the number of vacancies, he took it that the Committee wished to take a decision by acclamation.

32. It was so decided.

33. The Committee decided to recommend the reappointment of Mr. Spain (Ireland) and the appointment of Ms. Ashford (United States of America) to the United Nations Administrative Tribunal.

The meeting rose at 1 p.m.